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SUBJECT: THE SITUATION IN RWANDA: PRESIDENT MUSEVENI

ACTS

REF: STATE 232884

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE; SEE PARA 9.
- 3. SUMMARY: PRESIDENT MUSEVENI CALLED IN THE CHARGE JULY 22 TO INFORM HER THAT HE HAD TAKEN ACTION TO

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DEMONSTRATE HIS SUPPORT FOR THE ARUSHA AGREEMENT AND TO URGE THE RPF TO HONOR IT: 1) HE HAD ASKED THE RPF WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POST-JANUARY 19 FIGHTING; THE RPF SAID THE RWANDA ARMY HAD FIRED ON TWO OF THEIR POSITIONS, AND THE RPF HAD RESPONDED. 2) HE HAD SENT A MESSAGE (TEXT PARA 10) TO THE RPF SAYING THAT HE "STRONGLY SUPPORT(S)" THE CEASEFIRE, AND THE RPF "SHOULD NOT VIOLATE THE CEASEFIRE EXCEPT IN SELF-DEFENCE."

- 4. MUSEVENI THEN ADDED THAT THE RPF CLAIMS THAT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN RWANDA A "NEW GUN," REPORTEDLY A "105 MILLIMETER MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER," AND THAT FRENCH TROOPS HAD FIRED IT AGAINST THE RPF. MUSEVENI SAID HE HAD ASKED THE RPF FOR PROOF OF THIS (ALLEGED) FRENCH INVOLVEMENT; HE HAD NOT YET TALKED TO THE FRENCH ABOUT IT. END SUMMARY.
- 5. PRESIDENT MUSEVENI CALLED IN THE CHARGE ON CONFIDENTIAL

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- KAMPAL 04092 01 OF 02 221354Z PAGE 03 JULY 22. IN THE ONE-ON-ONE MEETING, MUSEVENI SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE TWO POINTS. FIRST, HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH HE "DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING" IN RWANDA, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HE WAS BEING HELD "RESPONSIBLE" AND BEING "PRESSURED ALL AROUND," HE HAD MADE IT HIS BUSINESS TO FIND OUT WHAT HE COULD ABOUT THE REPORTS OF POST-JUNE 19 FIGHTING. HE HAD THEREFORE ASKED "HIS PEOPLE" (THE NRA) TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE RPF. THE RPF SAID THAT THE RWANDA ARMY HAD FIRED ON TWO RPF POSITIONS, AND THAT THE RPF HAD ONLY REACTED TO THAT. (NEWSPAPERS HERE HAVE REPORTED CONTINUED FIGHTING IN RWANDA, PAST THE JULY 19 AGREED-UPON TRUCE. THE REPORTS DIFFER AS TO WHICH SIDE INITIATED THE ACTION, BUT AGREE THAT BOTH THE RPF AND THE RWANDAN ARMY WERE ENGAGED.)
- 6. SECOND, THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT HE HAD SENT A MESSAGE TO THE NRA UNITS ON THE UGANDA-RWANDA BORDER, INSTRUCTING THEM TO CONTACT THE RPF TO TELL THEM THAT HE "STRONGLY SUPPORT(S)" THE CEASEFIRE; THAT THE RPF "SHOULD NOT VIOLATE THE CEASEFIRE EXCEPT IN SELF-DEFENCE;" AND THAT IF THEY MUST DEFEND THEMSELVES, THEY SHOULD INFORM THE GOU "PROMPTLY" OF THE DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT. HE THEN GAVE THE CHARGE

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A COPY OF THE MESSAGE. (THE TEXT IS IN PARA 10.)

7. MUSEVENI SAID THE NRA WOULD BE ABLE TO GET THE MESSAGE TO THE RPF BECAUSE "(NRA) SOLDIERS CAN WALK ACROSS THE BORDER AND FLND SOMEONE TO GIVE THE MESSAGE TO."

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8. MUSEVENI THEN SAID THAT THE RPF CLAIMED THAT THE
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REPORTEDLY A "105 MILLIMETER MULTIPLE ROCKET
LAUNCHER," AND THAT FRENCH TROOPS HAD FIRED IT
AGAINST THE RPF. HE SAID THAT HE HAD TOLD HIS PEOPLE
TO ASK THE RPF FOR EVIDENCE OF THIS "FRENCH
INVOLVEMENT,"

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WHEN THE CHARGE ASKED IF HE HAD SPOKEN TO THE FRENCH ABOUT IT, HE SAID, "NO," THAT THE CHARGE WAS THE "FIRST ONE" HE HAD SPOKEN TO.

9. FOR THE DEPT: THIS MEETING WOULD SEEM TO MAKE A JOINT FRENCH-U.S. DEMARCHE, PER REFTEL, SUPERFLUOUS.

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(ON RECEIPT OF REFTEL, CHARGE PLACED A CALL TO THE FRENCH CHARGE, BUT IT HAS NOT YET BEEN RETURNED.) PLEASE ADVISE.

10. BEGIN TEXT OF MUSEVENI'S MESSAGE:

MESSAGE NO. 210948C

FM PRESIDENT FOR AG. CO 7 DIV. INFO MSD, SD, COS, ALL DIV.COS.

IF YOU CAN CONTACT THE RPF LEADERS NEAR OUR BORDER INFORM THEM THAT I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE CEASEFIRE THEY HAVE RECENTLY SIGNED WITH RWANDA GOVERNMENT IN ARUSHA. THEY SHOULD NOT VIOLATE THE CEASEFIRE EXCEPT IN SELF-DEFENCE. IF THE RWANDA ARMY VIOLATES THE CEASEFIRE BY ATTACKING THEM THEY SHOULD DEFEND THEMSELVES BUT INFORM US PROMPTLY OF THE INCIDENT AND WHERE AND WHEN IT TOOK PLACE. WE SHOULD BRING PEACE

TO THIS REGION OF AFRICA SO THAT WE CAN SPARE RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT AND SAVE LIVES.

END TEXT.

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